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<u>Remarks</u>

The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). Please note that Figs. 1-5 are the retroreflective marker <u>article</u> that can be formed by the claimed method. Since the drawings do not depict the method it is not appropriate to show the flame spraying. Withdrawl of the objection is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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